

AN ACT

relating to the participation of a county judge in a meeting of a commissioners court conducted by videoconference call.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

SECTION 1. Section 81.001(b), Local Government Code, is amended to read as follows:

(b) If present, the county judge is the presiding officer of the commissioners court. This subsection does not apply to a meeting held under Section 551.127, Government Code, if the county judge is not located at the physical space made available to the public for the meeting.

SECTION 2. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this Act takes effect September 1, 2017.

President of the Senate

Speaker of the House

I hereby certify that S.B. No. 988 passed the Senate on April 11, 2017, by the following vote: Yeas 31, Nays 0.

Secretary of the Senate

I hereby certify that S.B. No. 988 passed the House on April 27, 2017, by the following vote: Yeas 144, Nays 0, three present not voting.

Chief Clerk of the House

Approved:

Date

Governor